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IRON AND THE IRON TRADE.

We have on several occasions since the business began to be made across the continent to the Pacific, called attention to the rapid advance in iron. It has been unprecedented—over one hundred per cent in the last twelve months. The Buffalo Commercial, reviewing the course of the trade since January, 1878, says that at one time, fall, furnace-men became alarmed and prices declined several points. But after carefully reviewing the situation, they became convinced that the demand for months to come would be sufficient to absorb the domestic product and the foreign imports, and another material advance took place in the latter part of December. Number one foundry pig was quoted in Philadelphia last week at thirty-five dollars and fifty cents, and at thirty-five dollars, with a tendency to still higher prices. These figures represent an advance of fifteen per cent, in two weeks, in this connection the following exhibit showing the price of number one foundry pig at Philadelphia on the first of January in a series of years compiled from trade circulars, will be of interest:

which were large in the latter part of last fall, furnace-men became alarmed and prices declined several points. But after carefully reviewing the situation producers became convinced that the demand for the domestic coal was so great that they must support the domestic product and the foreign imports, and another material advance took place in the latter part of December. Number one foundry pig was quoted in Philadelphia last week at from thirty-two dollars and fifty cents to thirty-five dollars, with a tendency to still higher prices. These figures represent an advance of fifteen per cent. in two weeks. In this connection the following exhibit showing the prices of number one foundry pig at Philadelphia from 1844 to 1900 is of interest.

Year.	Price per ton.
1844-45	\$24
1845-46	28
1846-47	32
1847-48	36
1848-49	40
1849-50	44
1850-51	48
1851-52	52
1852-53	56
1853-54	60
1854-55	64
1855-56	68
1856-57	72
1857-58	76
1858-59	80
1859-60	84
1860-61	88
1861-62	92
1862-63	96
1863-64	100
1864-65	104
1865-66	108
1866-67	112
1867-68	116
1868-69	120
1869-70	124
1870-71	128
1871-72	132
1872-73	136
1873-74	140
1874-75	144
1875-76	148
1876-77	152
1877-78	156
1878-79	160
1879-80	164
1880-81	168
1881-82	172
1882-83	176
1883-84	180
1884-85	184
1885-86	188
1886-87	192
1887-88	196
1888-89	200
1889-90	204
1890-91	208
1891-92	212
1892-93	216
1893-94	220
1894-95	224
1895-96	228
1896-97	232
1897-98	236
1898-99	240
1899-00	244
1900-01	248
1901-02	252
1902-03	256
1903-04	260
1904-05	264
1905-06	268
1906-07	272
1907-08	276
1908-09	280
1909-10	284
1910-11	288
1911-12	292
1912-13	296
1913-14	300
1914-15	304
1915-16	308
1916-17	312
1917-18	316
1918-19	320
1919-20	324
1920-21	328
1921-22	332
1922-23	336
1923-24	340
1924-25	344
1925-26	348
1926-27	352
1927-28	356
1928-29	360
1929-30	364
1930-31	368
1931-32	372
1932-33	376
1933-34	380
1934-35	384
1935-36	388
1936-37	392
1937-38	396
1938-39	400
1939-40	404
1940-41	408
1941-42	412
1942-43	416
1943-44	420
1944-45	424
1945-46	428
1946-47	432
1947-48	436
1948-49	440
1949-50	444
1950-51	448
1951-52	452
1952-53	456
1953-54	460
1954-55	464
1955-56	468
1956-57	472
1957-58	476
1958-59	480
1959-60	484
1960-61	488
1961-62	492
1962-63	496
1963-64	500
1964-65	504
1965-66	508
1966-67	512
1967-68	516
1968-69	520
1969-70	524
1970-71	528
1971-72	532
1972-73	536
1973-74	540
1974-75	544
1975-76	548
1976-77	552
1977-78	556
1978-79	560
1979-80	564
1980-81	568
1981-82	572
1982-83	576
1983-84	580
1984-85	584
1985-86	588
1986-87	592
1987-88	596
1988-89	600
1989-90	604
1990-91	608
1991-92	612
1992-93	616
1993-94	620
1994-95	624
1995-96	628
1996-97	632
1997-98	636
1998-99	640
1999-00	644
2000-01	648
2001-02	652
2002-03	656
2003-04	660
2004-05	664
2005-06	668
2006-07	672
2007-08	676
2008-09	680
2009-10	684
2010-11	688
2011-12	692
2012-13	696
2013-14	700
2014-15	704
2015-16	708
2016-17	712
2017-18	716
2018-19	720
2019-20	724
2020-21	728
2021-22	732
2022-23	736
2023-24	740
2024-25	744
2025-26	748
2026-27	752
2027-28	756
2028-29	760
2029-30	764
2030-31	768
2031-32	772
2032-33	776
2033-34	780
2034-35	784
2035-36	788
2036-37	792
2037-38	796
2038-39	800
2039-40	804
2040-41	808
2041-42	812
2042-43	816
2043-44	820
2044-45	824
2045-46	828
2046-47	832
2047-48	836
2048-49	840
2049-50	844
2050-51	848
2051-52	852
2052-53	856
2053-54	860
2054-55	864
2055-56	868
2056-57	872
2057-58	876
2058-59	880
2059-60	884
2060-61	888
2061-62	892
2062-63	896
2063-64	900
2064-65	904
2065-66	908
2066-67	912
2067-68	916
2068-69	920
2069-70	924
2070-71	928
2071-72	932
2072-73	936
2073-74	940
2074-75	944
2075-76	948
2076-77	952
2077-78	956
2078-79	960
2079-80	964
2080-81	968
2081-82	972
2082-83	976
2083-84	980
2084-85	984
2085-86	988
2086-87	992
2087-88	996
2088-89	1000
2089-90	1004
2090-91	1008
2091-92	1012
2092-93	1016
2093-94	1020
2094-95	1024
2095-96	1028
2096-97	1032
2097-98	1036
2098-99	1040
2099-00	1044
2100-01	1048
2101-02	1052
2102-03	1056